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For: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS  
THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS

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Sir:

**SUBMISSION**

Submitted herewith are copies of the following papers which were originally-filed on February 1, 2005, along with the undersigned's post card receipt from the February 1, 2005, filing:

- (1) Request for Continued Examination;
- (2) Amendment;
- (3) Statement and paper copy of Sequence Listing; and
- (4) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO 1449 Form and cited non-U.S. patent references.

The attached are being resubmitted pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion during the interview of December 1, 2005.

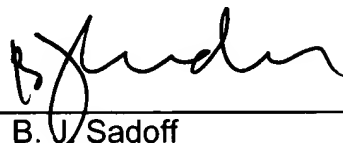
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An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned in the event anything further is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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